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The new Huddle House franchise on the Tennessee 43 Bypass next to the Hampton Inn opened its doors for the first time on Monday. (Pacer Photos/Randy Cavin)

3 a.m. french toast ... in Martin

Staff Reports

Before Aug. 30, a late-night studier needing a brain food break would have had to drive to Wal-Mart, buy a carton of eggs and scramble them in his apartment. A group winding down after a night of partying would have had to crash at a friend's apartment and chat over half a bag of Doritos. Before Aug. 30, no 24-hour dining was available to UTM or Martin residents.

But that was before the Huddle House, one of Martin's newest dining establishments, opened on Monday to fill the void in late night dining options and fulfill student wants.

"The idea sprang from frustration. I was

"... we thought it would be cool if we had more choices on late-night eating."

Sammie Linton
SGA President



talking to a friend and we had mentioned that we thought it would be cool if we had more choices on late-night eating. I was talking to my sister, Carrie, about it and next thing I know I am headed to Atlanta for our first investors meeting!" said

Sammie Linton, co-owner of the Huddle House franchise.

Linton, a senior at UTM and the Student Government Association president, began planning to open the franchise last November, along with his brother and sister, Scottie and Carrie Linton. The three attended investors meetings in Atlanta, and laid out a timeline for completion, eventually all becoming co-owners of the restaurant.

Despite a daunting list of hurdles — getting the franchise approved, getting a construction crew, purchasing land and financing — Linton said the pieces fell into place quickly.

"There are several hoops you have to jump through

see Huddle House page 4

Officer disqualified from SGA

Randy Cavin
News Editor

The SGA will be selecting a new secretary general after Chase Pickett, who was elected to the post in the spring SGA elections did not meet the GPA requirements.

According to SGA President Sammie Linton, during the summer the SGA advisor checks all elected members' eligibility to make sure they reach all of the requirements to hold a SGA office.

"After this was done our Advisor determined that Chase was ineligible to continue as Secretary General," Linton said. "The GPA requirement to hold an Executive Council spot in SGA is currently a 2.50."

The search for a new Secretary General will be conducted by the Procedures Committee. The application process will begin this week.

The person chosen as the new Secretary General will be based on certain criteria.

"The new Secretary General

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UTM Housing kicks off Battle of the Halls

Regina Emery
Co-Life Editor

There's nothing like competition to bring people together.

At least that's the idea behind the Office of Housing's new Battle of the Halls initiative.

Kicking off this semester, the program is aimed at encouraging a variety of community efforts, from recycling to campus involvement.

By pitting the Residence halls against one another in the yearlong competition, Assistant Director of Housing Ryan Martin is hoping to establish a sense of hall camaraderie.

"We're really excited about this new initiative and we want it to show just how much of an impact the residents on this campus have on the

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Basketball player suspended, charges pending

Staff Reports

Two UTM students have been charged with aggravated sexual battery stemming from an incident that occurred earlier this summer.

Delrico Lane, a senior Marketing major and member of the UTM men's basketball team, has been suspended indefinitely from the team pending the outcome of the investigation into the charge. Both students have been indefinitely suspended from school following an investigation conducted

by the Office of Student Conduct.

The affidavit of complaint released by Weakley County General Sessions Court states that on July 17, 2010, Lane held the victim down while his co-defendant, Christian Carpenter, a junior Finance major, accosted the victim inside of Carpenter's off-campus residence.

On Aug. 24, Lane was interviewed at the Martin Police Department. He waived his Miranda rights, and then told police he physically held the victim and bit her on the neck during

the incident.

"He has been suspended from the team indefinitely pending the outcome of the investigation (by) legal authorities and the University's student conduct office," said Phil Dane, director of Intercollegiate Athletics for UTM, via e-mail.

Lane played in nine games for the Skyhawks last season, contributing 10.6 points per game. He was expected by many to be one of the on-court leaders for the Skyhawks this season.



Christian Carpenter



Delrico Lane

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Editorial: High expectations for SGA

Throughout the years *The Pacer* and the Student Government Association have maintained somewhat of a love-hate relationship.

While both sides have always attempted to do what is best for the students of UTM and have used each other for our own benefits in the process (SGA uses us for publicity, we use them for story ideas), we have also criticized each other vehemently (we blast them in our editorials, they blast us in our online comments section).

The Pacer's criticism has often been the result of frustration with SGA. The fact that positions within it are frequently used as nothing more than resume paddles has always been a problem in our eyes. Even more frustrating, the three executive council members, who receive free tuition from the university in return for their "service" to students, have seldom proved themselves worthy of such compensation in the past.

However, this year we have reason to hope and to be optimistic that the current executive council, or at least one of its members, will prove to be more than its predecessors.

For years students have cried out for a 24-hour restaurant, some place to go in the late

hours to satisfy the munchies and hang out with friends. Martin may be a small town but it is still a college town and little of its industry has ever catered to the wants of the roughly 8000 person student population.

Linton, it seems, has heard us. Finally, someone has listened and taken action. Finally.

To actually open a restaurant is above and beyond what we would have expected from an SGA president, even a good one.

"We have reason to hope and be optimistic that the current executive council, or at least one of its members, will prove to be more than its predecessors."

This is more than creating legislation just to look like you're doing something, legislation that will be read aloud at an SGA meeting while the student representatives who have little to no interest in it vote to pass or strike it down, legislation that sounds passionate and caring but will obviously never be passed by the Faculty Senate. This is more than half trying to say you tried. This is action.

No pressure, Linton, but we have high expectations for the rest of the year. We have hope that this example of action, visible action, is something that you will continue to bring to the students. It's what we have needed for a long time and *The Pacer* is behind you. Now we'll be honest here, if you fail we won't be behind you, we can't be, but our respect is earned and right now you have rightfully earned it. Keep it up.

And to the rest of SGA, learn from this guy.

It's not easy being green



JUSTIN HUNT
VIEWPOINTS EDITOR

We hated it. We hated it so much. Every single year we returned to school our teachers told us to get out a pencil and a sheet of paper. Every single year it was the same essay prompt: "What I Did Over Summer Break." And every single year I dreamt of the day when I would no longer have to pen the details of my summer vacation for a teacher who couldn't care less about what I did. No longer will you oppress me, Diabolical Essay. I'm in college now, sir. I am my own man. I can write about whatever I want to this week. The sky's the limit!

So this is what I did over summer break:

I thought about the end of the world. The Mayan calendar abruptly ends on Dec. 21, 2012. The experts say that this could possibly be doomsday; a series of cataclysmic events destroying the world as we know it. Yeah, you know, the Experts. The guys that just sit

around and say things that the rest of humanity believes.

Assuming the experts are right (they are not) and realizing my capabilities as a primitive survivalist (I have none), I sought to strengthen my primordial survival skills if, in case, there was ever an international disaster (there will be) in which I had to rely on myself for food I found in the wild. The closest I have ever come to finding food in the wilderness was a family trip to a commercial strawberry patch. The second closest was the water fountain on the playground at my elementary school.

Fortunately, I have a friend who has years of experience in bushcrafting, or wilderness survival skills. He offered to teach me a few things, and my first survival lesson was frog gigging. Hunting frogs. My last name is Hunt. My ancestors must have done this sort of thing all the time. Surely this will be a piece of cake.

My friend made a spear from a long, slender branch and whittled a four-pronged head. The tips of these prongs were sharp. We are talking really sharp. Those spear spikes could penetrate Mean Joe Greene's '76 Pittsburgh Steelers

defense, or at least stab Mean Joe Greene.

Once it was dark, we headed down to the mosquito, snake, and odor infested pond. I learned when frog gigging, you have a spotter and you have the person wickling the spear. The spotter searches the area for the prey (the frog), and when a frog is found, the spotter shines his light into the frog's eyes. Somehow, magic occurs, and the light paralyzes the frog, and then the spearman can stab his little heart out (and, consequently, the little frog's heart out too.)

So off we went, I was asked to have the first shift of wielding the spear. I was asked to skewer the frogs. I was asked to thrust those four blades into a living, thinking, breathing, ribbiting, feeling, caring frog. This is a very hard thing emotionally, and not just for the frog. This would be completely different if frogs gave some reason for you to be hostile toward them, like if they had little faces that looked like Britney Spears. That would be no problem. "Let's go stab some frogs for amusement," you would frequently hear me call out.

But the first frog we came to had large, sad eyes, a nice home on its lily pad, and maybe even

a large family of tenderhearted brothers and sisters that were reserving his spot on the couch for some late night television. This frog wasn't meant to be stabbed and his legs cut off and eaten.

As I raised my spear in the bravest, manliest way I could, inside all I felt was the slow formation of a black, visceral, soul-sucking wound of a frogslaughterer. The higher I raised my spear, the larger the wound festered.

Who had I become? I was letting myself down. But worst of all, I was about to let Kermit down. I couldn't do it.

So for the rest of the night, I let my friend stab the little boogers while I ran off into the darkness to cry in the bushes.

We built a fire to cook the frog legs, and I ate one. And let me tell you, the spiritual encounters I had with Kermit were forgotten when my lips tasted one of those legs. If you give me a spear, I will drop what I'm doing and I will go and kill a frog. It was so beautifully delicious.

If the world was ever in such a state that I had to fend for my survival, you'll know where I will be.

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What did you do over summer break?

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

As a student I read the pacer weekly. However, I notice that few of the topics are of interest to me. I also notice that unlike the city paper *The Pacer* does not offer an advice column. As a student, I would think that this would be something that everyone would be interested in reading, and I also feel like there are many students out there with questions but do not feel that their parents or advisors are the ones with the answers.

I was also thinking that we have many students on campus like myself who are parents. I think an advice column for single or not single parents would be very helpful as well. I love to write and would be more than happy to maybe assist in a trial run to see how these things could work out. This is just an opinion. What do you think?

-Alyssa Culver

From The Pacer

Alyssa,

Whether you have advice, an editorial, a column, or a rant, *The Pacer* encourages everyone to write and submit their views for publication.

The Pacer's Viewpoints section is a great medium for students, faculty, and staff to share the opinions. We are always happy to receive and read your viewpoints, and it is *The Pacer's* pleasure to provide anyone a means for their opinions to be read and distributed.

If you would like to submit an article to be published in the Viewpoints section of *The Pacer*, just send your material to pacer_opinions@utn.edu.

-The Pacer



SPENCER TAYLOR
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"Spent money as fast as I made it."

"Tried to figure out what I'm going to do when I graduate in December. Still no clue."



CASEY CURLIN
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"Same thing I'm doing right now: taking classes."

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News

UTM recognized in two national publications

University Relations

The University of Tennessee at Martin is one of the best colleges in the Southeast according to two nationally known publications: The Princeton Review and the U.S. News and World Report. UT Martin is one of 133 institutions The Princeton Review recommends in its "Best in the Southeast" section of its Web site feature, "2011 Best Colleges: Region by Region," that was posted Aug. 2 on PrincetonReview.com.

The university has been named to the "Best in the Southeast" listing for eight consecutive years, since the recognition was initiated. "I am proud that The Princeton Review has again recognized UT Martin for providing a high-quality learning environment," said Dr. Tom Rakes, university chancellor. "Student input helped make this recognition possible through comments and feedback based on their experiences at the university. Receiving this designation for eight consecutive years is a compliment to faculty and staff who work hard to provide solid academic programming and outstanding student support."

"We're pleased to recommend UT Martin to users of our site as one of the best schools to earn their undergrad degree," said Robert Frank, Princeton Review's senior vice president/publishing. "We chose it and the other terrific institutions we name as 'regional best' colleges mainly for their excellent academic programs," he said.

"We also take into account what students at the schools reported to us about their campus experiences at them on our 80-question student survey for this project," Frank added. "Only schools that permit us to independently survey their students are eligible to be considered for our regional 'best' lists."

The 133 colleges The Princeton Review chose for its "Best in the Southeast" designations are located in 12 states: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia. The Princeton Review also designated 218 colleges in the Northeast, 152 in the Midwest and 120 in the West as best in their locales. Collectively, the 623 colleges named "regional best(s)" constitute

about 25 percent of the nation's 2,500 four-year colleges.

The Princeton Review does not rank the 623 colleges in its "2011 Best Colleges: Region by Region" list hierarchically or by region or in various categories.

The Princeton Review, headquartered in Framingham, Mass., with editorial offices in New York City and test preparation locations across the country and abroad, is not affiliated with Princeton University and is not a magazine.

UTM advanced its ranking in the top tier of master's level public universities in the South in the 2011 edition of America's Best Colleges compiled by U.S. News & World Report.

In the 2011 rankings, UT Martin improved its overall ranking as well as graduation rates, peer assessment score and percentage of faculty who are full time. UT Martin moved up nine rankings and tied for 47th place among public universities in the South that grant bachelor's and master's degrees.

Colleges are ranked against their peers using information submitted in a survey completed by the institutions and other sources. Categories

used to determine the rankings and to measure academic quality include peer assessment, retention, faculty resources, student selectivity, financial resources and the alumni giving rate.

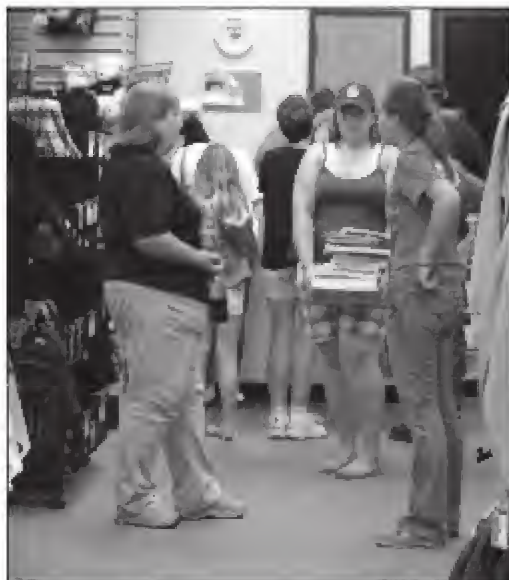
"The U.S. News & World Report rankings are among many indicators of program quality, and we are pleased to see our ranking move upward," said UT Martin Chancellor Tom Rakes. "Overall, there are many important factors that contribute to a high-quality education, and due to the hard work of our faculty and staff, we continue to experience rankings and recognitions from multiple sources."

UT Martin recently was named one of the best colleges and universities in the Southeast, according to The Princeton Review for 2011. The New York City-based education services company selected the school as one of 133 institutions it recommends in its "Best in the Southeast" section on its Web site feature, "2011 Best Colleges: Region by Region."

Freshmen get first full taste of college



The newest crop of freshmen arrived on campus Friday, Aug. 27, as they moved into their assigned dorms and purchased text books at the campus bookstore. There was a full schedule of events planned for them over the weekend that included the Welcome Week opening ceremony, placement exams, a fashion show, the City of Martin/Student Organization Fair and the Recreation Rampage with other events scheduled throughout the weekend. (Photo/Randy Gavin)



PEP leaders model the newest apparel available this fall at the Barnes and Noble Campus Bookstore. (Photo/Randy Gavin)

Fashion show greets freshmen

Randy Gavin
News Editor

The new batch of freshmen arrived on campus Thursday with a full schedule of events planned for them during the Freshman Initiative.

One of those events took place in the Elam Center Saturday morning was a fashion show put on by the campus bookstore with help from students with a fashion merchandising concentration and Dr. Susan Byrd, professor of Textiles, Clothing, and Fashion Merchandising.

The clothing apparel and accessories was modeled entirely by PEP Leaders and is the line of clothing available

"During welcome weekend we had the opportunity to showcase some of the majors on campus as well as introduce the freshmen to some of the UTM apparel that is available

at the Barnes and Noble Campus Bookstore," Byrd said.

The fashion show was organized by students with a fashion merchandising concentration in the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences.

Students from many different majors also helped with the fashion show. "The PEP leaders who are all kind of majors did the modeling. Communications majors did the Master of Ceremonies and took photos," Byrd said.

Chase Pickert, a junior communications major was the Master of Ceremonies.

This Friday is Show Your College Colors Day and Byrd is urging all students to show their UTM spirit this Friday as the Skyhawks prepare to play the Volunteers on Saturday by wearing UTM school colors.

Recycling works both ways

Randy Gavin
News Editor

With the recent surge in UTM's recycling efforts the UTM Bookstore is showing that recycling works to everyone's advantage with new products made from recycled material.

Sue Covington, the manager of the campus bookstore said they now have several products for sale that are made from recycled material.

"We are slowly increasing our line of products to show that recycling does work," Covington said.

With so many students and faculty printing hundreds if not thousands of documents every semester there is going to be several discarded in the recycle bins and containers. The bookstore is now selling printing and copier paper made from recycled paper products.

"The recycled printing paper we have cost a little more than other printing paper, but it is worth the extra price because it helps to save the environment," Covington said.

Something new made from recycled material is going to be added to the bookstore

that every student who is graduating this fall can take advantage of: the cap and gown. Covington said there entire line of caps and gowns will be made from recycled material.

Other products made from recycled material are also available at the campus bookstore, which includes one line of t-shirts, school and office supplies.

"The costs of our line of recycled products are higher. But the advantages of these products are that they can be recycled over and over again," Covington said.

Other products made from recycled material that may be available soon at the bookstore are ink pens, notebook paper, electronics, office supplies and other clothing apparel.

With the rising cost of raw materials along with the shortage of them, it makes perfect sense to take advantage of buying recycled products. The campus bookstore is taking the benefits of recycling seriously and is going to continue to provide an increasing line of recycled products for students and faculty.

Spencer Taylor
Managing Editor

Regarding any competition or contest, there is a simple bit of advice that can propel you to the winner's circle.

"You can't win if you don't enter."

The National Association of Broadcasters Education Foundation recently honored one of UTM's own, and it may not have happened had she not been reminded of that simple maxim.

Rachel Stephens, a senior Communications major, placed second out of 120 nationwide

may not initially catch.

Each response to the question carries a different tone. One answer, one of Chase Pickert, references the freedom to post what he wants on his Facebook status.

Following it is frank recognition of the limits of government intervention in the radio station (to an extent, of course).

While both don't seem to mirror each other in terms of importance, they each illustrate the point that no matter how trivial or formal we may put it, freedom of speech is not tied by worth, merely personal

Student places second in national competition

Senior Communications major Rachel Stephens placed second in the National Broadcasters Education Foundation competition.



"So much of the work [in broadcasting] is hands-on, and that's how I learn."

Rachel Stephens

entries in the radio category of the 2010 Freedom of Speech PSA Competition.

Having won, her thirty-second public service announcement will now air coast to coast during Freedom of Speech Week in October.

Opening with the question "What does freedom of speech mean you," the PSA fires off three answers from three separate UTM students, each illustrating their own appreciation of the first amendment bombshell.

While discussion of free speech is nothing new, what makes the PSA unique is the image it paints that the listener

appreciation.

Before joining WUTM as director of business and traffic, Stephens was a full-time History major who was encouraged to check out the radio station and what it had to offer her.

Now, Stephens is entering her second semester as program director for WUTM and seems to have found a home within the radio station.

"So much of the work [in broadcasting] is hands-on, and that's how I learn," Stephens said.

News



The Looking Glass, Martin's latest coffee shop, located downtown at 215 S. Lindell St., opened on Aug. 16. (Photo/Randy Gavin)

Martin's newest coffee shop opens for business

Staff Reports

Since the closing of Martin's last off-campus coffee shop in 2008 there have been limited options for students who want to have a rich mocha with a relaxed conversation.

With the recent opening of 'The Looking Glass' Coffee and Curiosities in downtown Martin, there is once again a place designed for poetry readings, bands and comfortable environment.

Owner Kim Longacre

moved to Martin a year ago from Tulsa, Okla., where she is now fulfilling her dream "through The Looking Glass."

"I've always wanted to open a coffee shop, so I went with it," Longacre said.

"The Looking Glass, located at 215 S. Lindell St., sits nicely on the edge of historic downtown Martin and boasts an array of creative gifts including scarves, candles, and

unique jewelry. It also prides itself in serving coffee made with organic fair trade beans roasted in Nashville."

The shop opened on Aug. 16 and has new hours in honor of the beginning of the UTM semester. It is now open 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Wednesday and Friday and 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturday. Customers can also take advantage of 10 percent off specials by returning coffee cup

sleeves or buying a Looking Glass mug.

"I just want it to be a fun, kind of funky place that people can come and hang out and visit with friends and you know just relax or study, whatever they want to do. We have a unique variety of gifts. I think that people really seem to enjoy," Longacre said. "[Downtown Martin] is changing a lot, and I think they are really trying to accommodate to the college kids. I think that's a really good thing."

Housing

From Cover

community. I hope they enjoy it and get involved in the fun team-spirited competition this year," Martin said.

A key component in the initiative involves bringing back the long since retired Hall Mascots. Some halls have kept up with tradition—for example, the Browning Bears, the Ellington Pirates and the Cooper Raccoons. Meanwhile the newer Village apartments have adopted the Village 1 Vikings and the Phase 2 Phoenix.

Halls will compete in four different categories: Programming participation, Environmental, Community Service and Campus Leadership.

Participation points will be given based on percentages of per-hall participation in Battle of the Halls programming events and for involvement in intramural sports.

Base points will be given

to halls for just participating; winning teams are subject to receive bonus points. Several eligible programs, such as Movies Night on the Lawn and food eating contests are already posted on the Battle of the Halls page on the Office of Housing website.

A field day of sorts is also in the works, which as Martin is hoping, will not only bring out a fun competitive streak from each hall but also promote a greater sense of hall pride from the residents.

To measure community service hours, Housing will be teaming up with local non-profit institutions. Sign-in logs will be available at these participating charities for students to register their name, hall of residence, and hours worked. These logs will later be picked up by the Office of Housing and one point will be awarded to each respective hall for every hour a resident

volunteers.

To aid in Housing's efforts towards sustainability, the Battle of the Halls initiative will also be focusing heavily on the environmental aspect. With aid from UTM Recycles, each hall's recyclable material output will be measured every month.

The hall with the most pounds of recyclable materials collected will be awarded first place points; other halls will be rewarded on a staggering points system.

Electrical output will also be measured from each hall at the end of every month following October. Due to population differences amongst the halls, the electrical usage will be measured for each hall at the end of September and all readings afterwards will be relative to the base amount. Again, points will be awarded on a staggering point scale system.

Finally, the Battle of the Halls initiative is hoping to encourage student involvement by rewarding students for their leadership roles on campus. With over a 130 organizations on campus, it will be almost impossible for students not get involved.

Points will be awarded for students who attain a leadership/executive role in a campus organization or Greek life (i.e. History club president or Panhellenic Council). Similarly, departmental and academic awards will also be eligible. Students may submit their achievements via web form located on the Battle of the Halls website, although points are subject to Housing's decision.

Depending on student response from the initiative, the Battle of the Halls program will finish the year off with a grand finale prize for the winning hall.

Huddle House

From Cover

but the City of Martin was very resourceful and First State Bank worked with us every step of the way to ensure successful completion of the project," Linton said.

With completion successful, the finished Huddle House now sits on the Tennessee 43 Bypass (also known as Skyhawk Parkway) next to the Hampton Inn, and is expected to bring in about 60 jobs.

UTM junior Kara Kidwell was the franchise's first customer upon opening on Monday. She said the restaurant was very clean, the staff attentive and the food more than satisfactory.

"The eggs were perfect," she said, describing the breakfast platter she ordered.

Kara also noted that the staff seemed to have a good camaraderie and worked well as a team.

"I think they are going to do well there," she said. "It's another dining option in Martin. God knows we need more dining options in Martin."

In addition to Kidwell's response, Linton said the restaurant has received tremendous positive feedback

from students and Martin locals.

"If I had a nickel for every time someone asked me when the Huddle House would be open I am sure I would be a very rich man!" Linton said.

Linton said the Huddle House will also feature a delivery service in the future that will work on a "call-in" system, a first in Huddle House history, but added that customers are already welcome to make to-go orders.

Along with being a full time student and serving as SGA president, Linton is also a student assistant for Resident Life, but he's not worried about being overloaded.

"My sister is the one in charge of running the Huddle House for a little bit. I will help as needed. My focus will stay with the UTM students. I am their SGA President, we have things we are going to accomplish this year! As far as my other job, student assistant for Resident Life, it ties in with all my activities. It may seem that I am busy but I like it that way and I love the way things are going right now," Linton said.

Officer

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will be chosen based on application, qualifications and an interview. The Procedures Committee, Erin Coates (SGA Vice President), and I will be in attendance while the committee discusses pros and cons of each applicant," Linton said. "We will also help conduct the interviews."

Once the Procedures Committee makes their selection they will then inform Linton who they selected. Linton will then give the Senate his recommendation based on what whom the Procedures Committee selects.

"The Senate will vote to approve or deny the applicant from there. Once approved they will be sworn in that night," Linton said.

The entire process should take approximately one legislative cycle or two weeks. The timeline could be extended if there are any complications.

Any student can apply for the secretary general office, but Linton recommends that students have at least 30 earned hours.

Linton has hopes that Pickett will still be involved in the SGA in some capacity.

UTMUnplugged holds video contest

Randy Gavin
New Editor

The UTM Instructional Technology Center and Web Service will be holding a video contest for UTMUnplugged.

The purpose of this contest is to give students the opportunity to show off their video production skills and a chance to win some prizes.

Sieve Holt, the director of the Instructional Technology Center and Web Service says he wants students to tell UTMUnplugged why they should make a movie hero or her.

"We are having a contest where we want any UTM student either on campus or at the off-campus sites to create a one-minute video on their own, upload it to YouTube, send us the link to explain to us why we should make a movie out of

them," Holt said.

The movie will be a 10 minute mini documentary about the student such as where the student likes to do, life on campus or whatever the winning student wants people to know about his or her life. The title of the movie will be called, "MyLife".

"My staff and I will evaluate all of the entries and take the five best and then we are going to put those on UTMUnplugged and let the campus vote on them," Holt said. "Of course the one with the most votes will be the winner."

The winner will receive prizes from the campus computer store.

Once the winner is chosen Holt said it will take anywhere from six weeks up to two months to make the movie

about the student's life.

"It will be unveiled right before the Thanksgiving break," Holt said.

Sept. 10 is the deadline for the one-minute video entries with the contest beginning the first week of classes.

"This will give students two weeks to turn in their entries. On Sept. 15, we will close the top five entries and then roll them out to the campus," Holt said. The deadline for the voting is Sept. 22.

Holt said that whoever is the most creative and tells the best story in a minute will be chosen to be in the top five.

"I am hoping that whoever enters the contest will show some creativity," Holt said.

To submit your YouTube video link in the contest go to www.utmunplugged.com/mylife.

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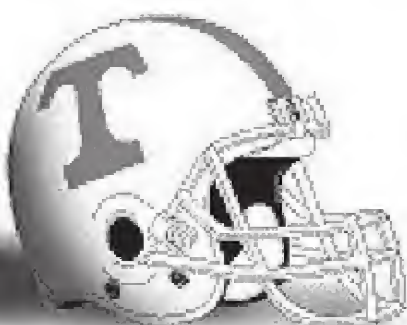
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Sports

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UTM set to face Vols in season opener



Skyhawks will travel to Knoxville to take on UT in formidable Neyland Stadium on Sept. 4

Josh Weiss
Sports Editor

Neyland Stadium. With a capacity of 102,459 people, big is an understatement.

Neyland is the third-largest non-racing stadium in the country and sixth-largest in the world.

Needless to say, the thought of running out of the tunnel as the visiting team would terrify most.

However, after weeks of preseason practice, hours in the film room and just a few bags of ice, the Skyhawks seem to be up to the challenge.

Fifth-year head coach Jason Simpson will lead his troops into battle on Sept. 4 to face a Tennessee program that has, to say the least, been on the rocks lately due to the controversial departure of ex-head coach and current Southern California head coach Lane Kiffin.

UT, who is slotted to finish eighth in the SEC at 5-7, will struggle this season.

Everything about the program is new, namely the coaches, the quarterback and the offensive line.

UTM will need to take advantage of the Vols' inexperience if it wishes to have any chance at defeating its sister school.

Skyhawks' fans can bet that Simpson



Bryna Jordan/Pacer Photos

As the starting tailback, sophomore Jason McNair will be a key component in the Skyhawks' offensive attack. As the third-string back last season, McNair still rushed for 292 yards and four touchdowns.

will have the defense blazing hard early and often so as to disrupt the unseasoned Volunteers' offense.

UTM will also need its key players to make some big plays.

Sophomore quarterback Derek Carr has the daunting task of leading the Skyhawks' offense against the Vols in what will be his first collegiate start.

Carr saw some action last season as the backup for standout quarterback Cade Thompson, but nothing as trying as an SEC opponent in front of 100,000 plus.

Sophomore running back Jason McNair is yet another piece to the puzzle, as he has also been handled the starting job this season.

McNair was a significant asset last season, rushing for 292 yards and four touchdowns as the number three tailback.

On the defensive side of the ball, junior strong safety Kendall Harper will provide stability in the UTM secondary, a necessity against UT's strong receiving core.

"Kendal has developed into a good football player," said Simpson.

"He runs like a cornerback, but he tackles like a linebacker."

Kickoff in Knoxville is scheduled for 6 p.m. EST, and can be seen live on www.espn3.com.

Athletic trainer, Assistant Rodeo Coach agrees to haircut as settlement for CNFR challenge

Athletic Communications

Chances are you do not know Nelson Davis, but you know Nelson's onyx, salt and pepper, flowing locks of hair.

Davis, an athletic trainer and assistant rodeo coach at The University of Tennessee at Martin, is getting a haircut at 8 Wednesday night in Skyhawk Fieldhouse.

Admission for the historic haircut is \$1 at the door and the "hat" will be passed during the event. All proceeds from the haircut will go directly to the UT Martin rodeo team.

Davis usually trims his own hair. In fact the Southern Illinois native is the only person to cut his hair since he was 13 years old. The barber for this big night will be former UT Martin cowboy and national champion Jeff Askey, the victor of a long-time challenge issued by Davis.



"I have been telling all the kids on the rodeo team if they win a national championship they could cut my hair," Davis said. "They can cut it, but they cannot shave it unless the team wins the national championship."

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-Assistant Rodeo Coach
Nelson Davis

The rodeo team finished third in the nation in 2008 and Davis took a big sigh of relief.

"I don't feel good about this," said Lynn Davis, Nelson's wife. "I like Nelson's long hair. It's his signature."

Lynn Davis is worried about two things - the barber and the end result. "I think Nelson will have fulfilled his end of the bargain at the national finals."

Askey won the bull riding national championship with an 88-point ride on China Grove in the championship short round of the national finals in June. Since winning the title, Askey has been riding bulls on the professional circuit. "I am riding bulls at least five days a week," Askey said.

In addition to watching the haircut, fans will get to meet the 2010-11 UT Martin rodeo team and watch Askey's national championship ride on China Grove.

Column: Get your popcorn ready

Josh Lemons
Sports Features Editor

In the immortal words of The Grateful Dead, "What a long strange trip it's been."

I guess more fitting for the NFL would be, "What a long strange offseason it's been."

If anyone would have told me the T.O. and Ochocinco would be lining up on the same line together this season, I probably would have said that you were crazy. It would never work.

Well, thankfully for all of us, we get to see it all play out. Whether they achieve greatness together or it all explodes on the sidelines and in the locker room, makes no difference. We get to watch it

happen.

NEWSFLASH!

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Brett Favre is NOT retiring! Repeat, Brett Favre is NOT retiring!

If this is news to you, I won't keep you any longer. That rock you live under is starting to get cold. I'll let you get back to that.

Darrelle Revis, the Jets outstanding cornerback is still sitting out of training camp. Albert Haynesworth can't pass his entrance exam to get in to camp (to the enjoyment of all Titans fans).

All of this action and we are still in the preseason. Get out your popcorn, it's going to be a long, strange trip.



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THE EXPENDABLES

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BY SPENCER TAYLOR

With 'The Expendables' already shooting up theaters nationwide, The Pacer thought it would be appropriate to draft our own version of the film—complete with actors and characters that we feel deserve their own mash-up. What follows is our own list of B-list bad asses. Enjoy!

CHUCK NORRIS

Superman wears his pajamas, attention pays him and his beard just has another fist to hit you with.



KEANU REEVES

From 'Point Break' to the Chosen One in the 'Matrix' trilogy, Keanu can at least stand around and say 'Whoa..'



NICOLAS CAGE

Hell, he's been in every other movie this year..



JACK BAUER

Kiefer Sutherland is easily one of TV's biggest action stars. He channeled his Lost Boys role in one season when he tore a man's throat out with his bare teeth.



MARK WAHLBERG

He's already gone 'Invincible,' but if he had to resurrect any of his previous characters for the team, it's gotta be Dirk Diggler from 'Boogie Nights.' Why not?



DEXTER MORGAN

Cool and calculating, Michael C. Hall portrays the perfect serial killer. Dexter's methodical ways and uncanny prowess would make a killer addition to the team.



STEVEN SEAGAL

You don't get much tougher than Segal. Need convincing? Check out 'Under Siege.'



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Part man, part machine. While Arnold Schwarzenegger was already taken, you can't go wrong with a crime fighter who has a gadget for everything that's fit to print.





Column: Dexter, seriously good TV

America's favorite serial killer returns for a fifth season Sept. 26

Spencer Taylor
Managing Editor

When it comes to most contemporary live action television, I can honestly say that I'm normally not too interested.

Sure, I enjoy a gritty HBO drama or a shamelessly funny episode of 'Always Sunny in Philadelphia,' but that's about as extensive as my tastes get.

Over the summer I was introduced to Showtime's 'Dexter,' a dark and violent series that based off Jeff Lindsay's novel 'Darkly Dreaming Dexter.' Dexter Morgan (Michael C. Hall) lives a multiple life: brother, husband, father, blood spatter analyst and serial killer. Hailing from dark origins, Dexter finds killing is his only release from his inner demons. Following a code set forth by his adoptive father, Harry, Dexter prowls the Miami nightlife in search of "bad guys" who slipped through the system.

From season to season (four of them currently released),

Dexter is faced with varying problems that challenge his alter-ego as Miami's twisted hero. Hall performs Dexter with a display of talent already recognized from his role in HBO's 'Six Feet Under.'

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Whereas many shows have bogged down into triple number seasons with confusing story arcs, 'Dexter' is pleasantly simple.

I never got on the 'Lost' train, and listening to my friends trying to explain it was as easy as comprehending Sylvester Stallone under water.

By the time I got into '24,' Jack Bauer had already saved the president, shot the president, died, come back, gone to China and found One Eyed Willy and Waldo at the same time. If I started watching '24' now, I might be done by the time I graduate.

And as far as 'House' goes, it's the same damn formula in every episode.

'Dexter,' however, is simply about the evolution and maturation of Dexter Morgan. No one season is exclusive from the other, and the show contains characters with their own subplots and storylines that add to the show's depth.

Admittedly the show isn't perfect. Often, some performances by more minor characters come off as cheesy,

and Jimmy Smits lays it on particularly thick in the third season as a dark sided district attorney.

In all, I'm not trying to dog 'Lost' or '24' because of their complicated storylines or extensive episode count. J.J. Abrams is a solid visionary and 24's long run is a testament to the audience it pulls in.

What makes 'Dexter' especially good is what it offers right now. The show has established a strong foundation and is soon to begin just its fifth season. It follows the familiar evidence of live action television, yet it manages to switch it up every so often before you get too comfortable. The show boasts a talented cast and the writing has stayed inventive and creative for four seasons.

Unfortunately, many contemporary television shows tend to run long past their prime. This show, however, still has plenty of fuel left in the tank. Showtime's 'Dexter' has reached its zenith and is showing no signs of slipping.

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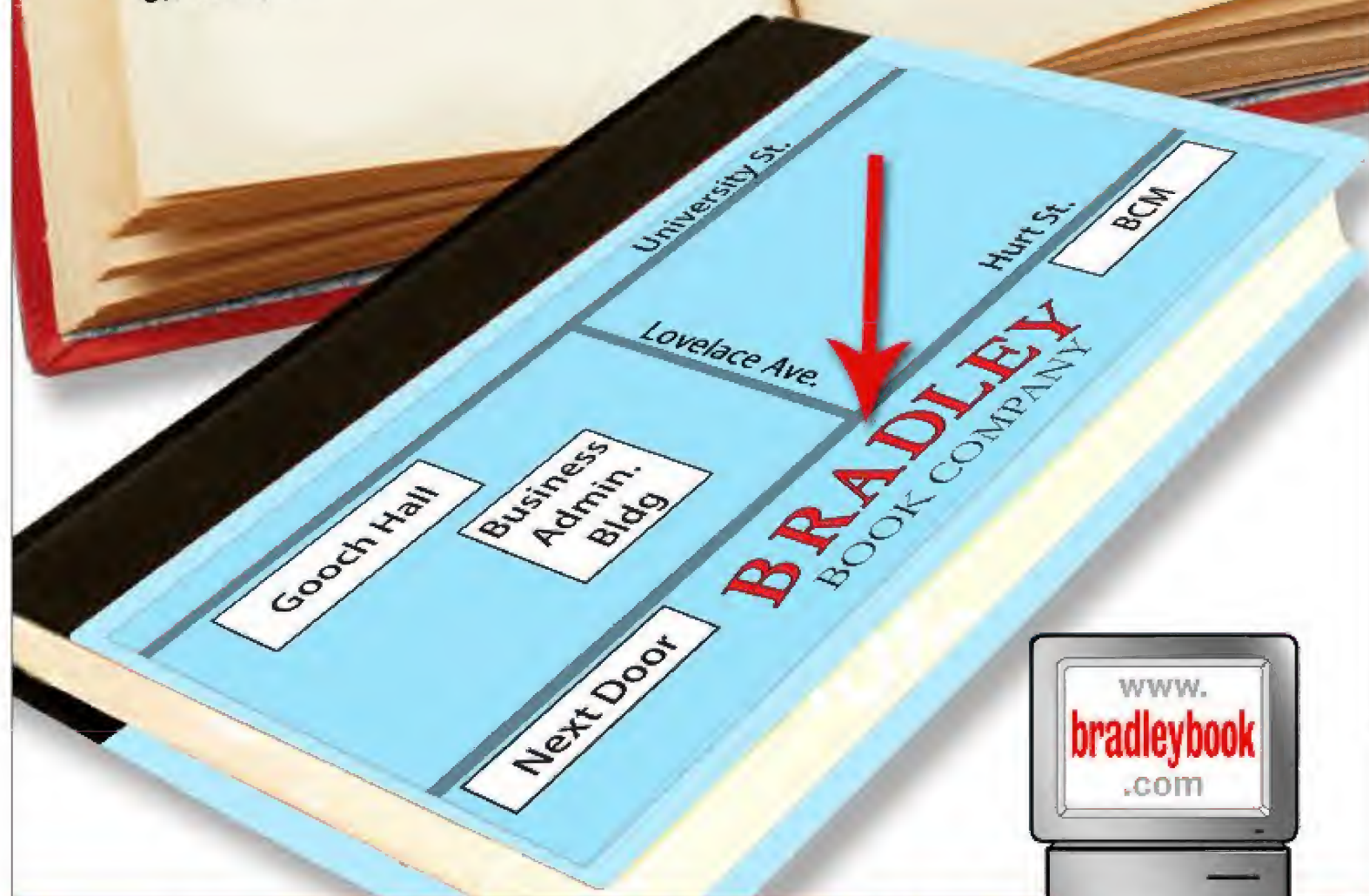
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